

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly amend claims 55-79. The amendments are marked-up. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application :

55. (Currently Amended) ~~Use~~Method of use of a standard deck of playing cards and a betting layout for a casino game simulating roulette allowing for a bet to be placed in association with a variable number of symbols with inversely proportional payouts, said layout displaying at least an individual area for each of said cards of said standard deck, the method of use comprising :
~~, wherein a payout determining playing card is randomly selected from said standard deck of playing cards, said payout determining card being any one card from said deck,~~
a player places at least one gaming bet using said layout, each said gaming bet choosing a number n of betting cards displayed on said layout, said number n being at least one, each area chosen corresponding to a card available from said deck and available to be selected as a payout-determining card;
randomly selecting said payout-determining playing card from said standard deck of playing cards, said payout determining card being any one card from said deck; and,
when said random selection matches one of said n betting cards, calculating a payout ~~is calculated using said payout determining card for said player for each gaming bet,~~
said payout amounting to $48/n$.

56. (Currently Amended) The ~~use~~method of use as claimed in claim 55, wherein said number n is chosen so that gaming bet is only recorded when $48/n$ is an integer, said payout being an integer amount.

57. (Currently Amended) The ~~use~~method of use as claimed in claim 55, wherein said number n of said betting cards represents all of said betting cards of a same face value.

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58. (Currently Amended) The ~~use~~method of use as claimed in claim 55, wherein said number n of said betting cards represents all of said betting cards in a same suit.

59. (Currently Amended) The ~~use~~method of use as claimed in claim 55, wherein said number n of said betting cards represents all of said betting cards in one of :
a same face value; and
a same suit.

60. (Currently Amended) The ~~use~~method of use as claimed in claim 55, wherein said number n of said betting cards represents all of said betting cards in one of :
a same range of face values;
a same color; and
a same parity.

61. (Currently Amended) The ~~use~~method of use as claimed in claim 55, wherein said number n of said betting cards represents all betting cards in one of :
a same face value;
a same suit;
a same range of face values;
a same color; and
a same parity.

62. (Currently Amended) The ~~use~~method of use as claimed in claim 55, wherein said further comprising said player making a securing bet choosing a number s of said playing cards as bet securing cards, wherein said bet securing cards allow said player to modify a casino house income ratio.

63. (Currently Amended) The ~~use~~method of use as claimed in claim 62, wherein when random selection matches one of said s bet securing cards chosen by said player, a

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payout of zero is calculated for said player and said gaming bet choosing a number n of playing cards made by said player is returned to said player.

64. (Currently Amended) UseMethod of use of a roulette gaming device having at least roulette numbers 1 to 36 and 0, two types of markers and a betting layout for a roulette casino game allowing for a bet to be placed on a variable number of symbols with inversely proportional payouts and for bets to be held, said betting layout having at least one individual area for each of said roulette numbers, the method of use comprising :

wherein a player placing at least one standard bet using a first type of said markers and said layout, each said standard bet choosing a series n of betting numbers displayed on said layout of roulette numbers and a securing bet using a second type of said markers and said layout, said securing bet choosing a series s of said betting numbers as bet securing numbers, wherein said bet securing numbers allow said player to modify a casino house income ratio;

randomly selecting a payout-determining number being randomly selected from said set of roulette numbers, wherein said payout determining number is any one of said roulette numbers;

when said payout-determining number matches one of said n betting numbers chosen, a payout is calculated using said payout determining number, for said player, for each standard bet, said payout amounting to $36/n$.

65. (Currently Amended) The usemethod of use as claimed in claim 64, wherein when said payout-determining number matches one of said s bet securing numbers chosen by said player, a payout amounting to zero is calculated for said player and said standard bet is returned to said player.

66. (Currently Amended) The usemethod of use as claimed in claim 55, wherein at least one card not chosen as a betting card is identified as at least one outside card.

67. (Currently Amended) The usemethod of use as claimed in claim 66, wherein at least one of said at least one outside card is an all bets lose card, wherein a payout of zero is calculated for said player when said all bets lose card is drawn.
68. (Currently Amended) The usemethod of use as claimed in claim 66, wherein at least one of said at least one outside card is a free turn card, wherein said gaming bet is returned to said player when said free turn card is drawn.
69. (Currently Amended) The usemethod of use as claimed in claim 66, wherein said gaming bet is only recorded when $48/n$ is an integer, said payout being an integer amount.
70. (Currently Amended) The usemethod of use as claimed in claim 69, wherein said at least one outside card is one card from each of four of said suits and said number $n = 12$ of said betting cards chooses all of said betting cards in a same suit.
71. (Currently Amended) The usemethod of use as claimed in claim 69, wherein said at least one outside card is four cards of odd parity so that said number $n = 24$ of said betting cards identifies all of said betting cards of same parity.
72. (Currently Amended) The usemethod of use as claimed in claim 69, wherein said at least one outside card is four cards of a same face value so that said number $n = 24$ of said betting cards identifies all of said betting cards in a same range of face values of one of two ranges of face values lower or higher than face value 7.
73. (Currently Amended) The usemethod of use as claimed in claim 69, wherein said at least one outside card is four cards having a face value of 7 and two jokers from a deck of fifty-four playing cards.

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74. (Currently Amended) The ~~use~~method of use as claimed in claim 55, wherein said layout is a game surface having areas corresponding to said cards and arranged in a geometric pattern.

75. (Currently Amended) The ~~use~~method of use as claimed in claim 74, wherein said number n of cards is identified by a geometrical characteristic of said game surface geometric pattern.

76. (Currently Amended) The ~~use~~method of use as claimed in claim 75, wherein said player positions a betting marker on said betting area identifying said geometrical characteristic on said game surface geometric pattern.

77. (Currently Amended) The ~~use~~method of use as claimed in claim 76, wherein said number n is selected such that $48/n$ is an integer.

78. (Currently Amended) The ~~use~~method of use as claimed in claim 76, wherein two or more of said betting areas are identified by positioning said betting marker when said marker is positioned to sit on a border between two or more said betting areas.

79. (Currently Amended) The ~~use~~method of use as claimed in claim 55, wherein at least one card of said outside cards is identified as an all outside bets lose card.